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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH GALINDO-POHL REGARDING REGIONAL TUNA
MEETING

1. US REPS CLINGAN, BUSBY AND HALLMAN MET WITH AMB GALINDO-POHL
OF EL SALVADOR, CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE II, REGARDING GROUP OF
STATES WHICH FISH FOR HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES IN THE EASTERN
TROPICAL PACIFIC, WHICH MET NOVEMBER 3-14, 1975 IN NEW YORK IN
ATTEMPT TO REACH AGREEMENT ON NEW ARTICLE 53 IN SNT. SECOND
MEETING TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE MARCH 8-12 IN NEW
YORK. GALINDO-POHL AGREED TO PERSONALLY ISSUE INVITATIONS FOR
THIS SECOND MEETING AS SOON AS HE RECEIVES OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION
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FROM MEXICO AND ECUADOR THAT THE MEETING SHOULD GO FORWARD AS

PLANNED. HE HAS QUERIED UN MISSIONS OF BOTH GOVERNMENTS REGARDING THIS QUESTION AND EXPECTS AFFIRMATIVE ANSWER SHORTLY.

2. US REPS BRIEFED GALINDO-POHL ON SUBSTANCE OF RECENT CONSULTATIONS WITH AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND, WITH NJENGA OF KENYA AND WITH MEXICO AND ECUADOR. GALINDO-POHL SEEMED PLEASED (AND SOMEWHAT SURPRISED) THAT A RATHER SUBSTANTIAL NARROWING OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN US, MEXICO, AND ECUADOR HAD APPARENTLY TAKEN PLACE. HE NOTED IN PARTICULAR THAT THE US AND ECUADOR APPEAR TO HAVE TENTATIVELY AGREED TO ALL PROVISIONS OF AN ARTICLE 53 WITH THE EXCEPTION OF TWO PARAGRAPHS (QUITO 1013 REFERS).

3. US REPS GAVE GALINDO-POHL COPIES OF ARTICLES RESULTING FROM CONSULTATIONS WITH MEXICO AND ECUADOR, AND ASKED THAT HE ARRANGE FOR TRANSLATION AND PREPARATION OF DOCUMENTS SHOULD IT BE DECIDED TO USE THEM AT THE MARCH 8 MEETING. HE AGREED TO DO THIS AND TO RESTRICT DISTRIBUTION PENDING RESPONSES TO US QUERIES TO GOM AND GOE REGARDING DISTRIBUTION AND ATTRIBUTION. HE ALSO AGREED TO MAKE ALL NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING FACILITIES, SECRETARIAL SERVICES, ETC. FOR MARCH 8 MEETING.

4. US REPS EXPRESSED SOME CONCERN THAT SOLUTIONS AGREED UPON BY STATES OF THIS REGION MAY BE NEGATED BY FAILURE OF AFRICANS, OCEANIA GROUP OR OTHER CONCERNED STATES TO FIND THESE SOLUTIONS ACCEPTABLE. GALINDO-POHL RECOGNIZED THIS AS POTENTIAL PROBLEM AND STATED THAT AS CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE II HE WAS OBLIGED TO CONSIDER THE VIEWS OF ALL CONCERNED STATES. HE FELT THAT FOLLOWING THE MARCH MEETING THE RESULTS SHOULD BE ASSESSED, AND IF IT WAS FELT THAT THE GROUP HAD PRODUCED A DOCUMENT WHICH COULD FORM THE BASIS FOR A CONFERENCE-WIDE SOLUTION, THE GROUP SHOULD THEN BE BROADENED APPROPRIATELY FOR FURTHER REFINEMENT OF THE TEXT. HE STATED THE PSYCHOLOGY INVOLVED IN THIS PROCEDURE WAS VERY IMPORTANT AND FELT THESE STATES HAD TO BE BROUGHT ALONG CAREFULLY. THIS QUESTION WILL BE SUBJECT OF FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH GALINDO-POHL, ASSUMING MARCH 8 MEETING RESULTS IN SUBSTANTIAL AGREEMENT ON PRINCIPAL ELEMENTS OF ARTICLE 53.
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